

# *Executive Proclamation*

## *State of South Dakota*

### *Office of the Governor*

*Whereas*, South Dakota was founded with hard work, perseverance, dedication to duty and concern for one's fellow man; and,

*Whereas*, Leon Meinen has devoted his life to the betterment of his community, the caring and sharing with family and friends and the day-to-day giving, which makes South Dakota a great state in which to live and work; and,

*Whereas*, Leon has been a devoted servant to the people of South Dakota since joining the South Dakota Highway Department on September 17, 1971, serving in the capacity of Mechanics' Helper, Equipment Operator I, Highway Maintenance Worker (I, II and III) and Senior Highway Maintenance Worker; and,

*Whereas*, In the month of July 2007, after over 35 years of service to the South Dakota Department of Transportation, Leon is retiring; and,

*Whereas*, It is fitting and proper as Governor to make special note of this outstanding South Dakota on this momentous occasion:


*Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds*, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim July 31, 2007, as

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in South Dakota, and I join his family and friends from the South Dakota Department of Transportation in wishing him a fulfilling and happy retirement.



*In Witness Whereof*, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Nineteenth Day of July in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Seven.

  
M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

  
Chris Nelson, Secretary of State